



St. Therese of Lisieux

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Dear Parishioners and Visitors:

In cooperation with the “Stay Home, Stay Safe” executive order and the direction of the Archdiocese of Detroit, we have implemented the following procedures here at St. Therese.

The church building will be open on **Sundays** from 8 AM to 1 PM for private prayer.

Per the Archdiocese, the **parish office is closed** for usual parish business. However, because we service the poor and needy through our St. Vincent de Paul program and our food pantry, the building will be open from 11 AM to 2 PM on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** to receive your donations and to serve our community.

During this time, we encourage you to follow the directives of our civil authorities to keep yourself safe and healthy.

You may utilize our Rosary Garden for prayer and meditation. Several people have parked their cars in our parking lot and communed with God while maintaining a social distance. Just a reminder that I am celebrating Mass each day to pray for the intentions which have been requested. While you cannot be with me physically, please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

You are invited to pray communally at 9 AM, noon, and 6 PM using the intercessory prayer of St. Therese which was sent to you last week. Also, please listen to my podcasts which are uploaded to our website. In addition, there are many resources available on our website **www.stthereseparish.ws** to assist you during this time.

Because we are still operating, although in a limited capacity, we do rely on your generosity. Donations of food for the pantry may be dropped off during the times listed above or you may leave them by the main doors. Medical supplies may be dropped off **outside** at the north door (the one that faces Bickford Medical Center). Gift cards, Mass intentions, and offering envelopes should be dropped off either on Tuesday, Thursday, or Sunday during the times indicated above.

Thank you for your prayers and assistance during this time. Please remember that all of us are dealing with a variety of issues, from spiritual and emotional to relational and financial. If you are in need of any kind of assistance, please reach out to us: 586-254-4433 or through our website. We are checking messages left on the answering machine every day.

May God continue to bless us, those who are on the front lines, especially health care professionals, those who are providing for our food and supplies, especially truckers and grocers, as well as those who need to make difficult decisions in the days ahead.

May Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Therese, our patron, continue to intercede for us,

Peace,

Msgr. John Kasza